

SERMON NOTES

Date: February 21, 2021

Series: God's Riches

Title: The Sword of the Spirit

Text: Ephesians 6:17

Big Idea: The sword of the Spirit is our only offensive weapon by which we counter the enemy's attacks.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

Read Psalm 19:7-11 and answer the following questions.

- What are the different names for the word of God?
- How is the quality of God's word described?
- What is the effective power of His word in our lives?

In light of God's testimony about his word, why do you think people (even Christians) so easily doubt and question its authority and sufficiency (cf. 2 Timothy 3:18-19; 2 Peter 1:3-4)?

What does God desire from us according to Isaiah 66:2?

APPLY THE TRUTH

Satan tempted Eve in the Garden, saying, "Did God really say...? In what ways does Satan tempt you to question God's word?

One way to be prepared to use the sword of the Spirit against the enemy is to memorize Scripture. What has your experience been (good and bad) with Bible memorization (cf. Psalm 119:10-11)?

Even if we can't quote a chapter and verse, we must know how to apply biblical truth to specific situations and temptations. Think of a situation in which you feel pressured, tired, or angry. What temptations does it prompt in your heart and mind? What truth from God's Word can help you fight back against that temptation?

Situation	
Temptation	
Biblical Truth	

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Choose one Bible verse to commit to memory this week.

Write it out: _____

